(i) Right and left embankments for a total length of 18 km. have been completed;

(ii) Out of the 18 bays of the barrage concerting in bays from 1 to 18 have been completed upto crest portion and piers upto RL 245. The concrete in bays 1 to 6 is in progress.

No irrigation was carried out from the scheme during 1983-84.

(d) Six out of 18 bays have been provided as undersluice bays.

Fresh breach in Bhakra Canal

*260. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI:
SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only ten days after a major breach in the Bhakra Main-Line Canal was repaired, another breach in the canal was detected on the 21st July, 1984 near Dugri Kotli village in Ropar district;

(b) if so, when did the sabotage take place and when it was detected;

(c) what are the particulars of the areas hit thereby and the extent of damage to the Canal, crops and property respectively;

(d) whether any persons have been arrested in this connection, if so, the details thereof;

(e) by when it is likely to be repaired and the amount likely to be spent thereon; and

(f) what steps are being taken against such a recurrence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI HARI NATH MISHRA): (a) to (f) The first breach in the Bhakra Main Line was repaired and water released on 10th July, 1984, The second breach was noticed at about 6.00 A.M. on 21st July, 1984 some distance downstream of Siswan Super passage. About 600 ft. length of the right bank and about 550 length of the left bank was washed away in addition to some damage to the flared out walls of the Super passage and to the bridge. It is reported by Punjab that an area of about 5.35 lakh ha. in Punjab, 11.62 lakh ha. in Haryana and 1.35 lakh ha. in Rajasthan could not be supplied within Canal water due to this breach.

The breach is expected to be repaired within next four weeks at an approximate cost of Rs. 2.00 crores The Government of Punjab have informed that in order to ensure safety, the Canal was being guarded and patrolling by State Police and Para Military forces has been intensified. Government of Punjab have reported that one person has been arrested in connection with this breach and he is under police remand.

Flour industries in Jammu and Kashmir

†1561. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL KAR: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of flour industries granted licences in Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that owners of the flour mills have installed machinery of greater capacity than the permitted one; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in affirmative, what action Government propose to take against them?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI M. S. SANJEEVI RAO): (a) Six units have been licensed under the Wheat Roller Flour Mills (L&C) Order, 1957, during the last three years.

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†Previously Unstarred Question 1264 transferred from the 3rd August, 1984.